

Opening, Call to Order, Roll Call, Approval of Agenda, Approval of July Minutes

The August 17, 2017 meeting of the State Board of Education/State Board for Vocational Education was called to order at 5:09 p.m. by President Dennis L. Loftus. The following members of the state board were present: Dr. Dennis Loftus, President; Nina Lou Bunting, Vice President; Gregory B. Coverdale, Jr.(arrived 5:35); G. Patrick Heffernan; Hon. Liane M Sorenson, and Dr. Terry M. Whittaker. Secretary of Education Dr. Susan S. Bunting was present to serve as the Executive Secretary for the State Board, and the Board's Executive Director, Donna Johnson, was also present.

The agenda was approved as presented. A motion was made by Mrs. Bunting and seconded by Dr. Terry M. Whittaker to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

The minutes of the Board's regular meeting of July 27, 2017 were distributed prior to the meeting. A motion was made by Mrs. Bunting to approve the minutes of the Board's regular meeting. The motion was seconded by Dr. Whittaker and carried by voice vote.

Committee Reports and Executive Director's Update

The State Board members had nothing to report for state board business.

Donna Johnson reported on her experience with the Delaware Goes to College Academy. Ms. Johnson was involved in a lunchtime panel in which the college experience was discussed from the selection process all the way to committing to a college; this took place on Delaware State University's campus. Ms. Johnson announced that the Board would be sponsoring a professional development and stakeholder engagement workshop September 18, 2017 from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the Capitol Room of Grotto Pizza in Dover, DE. This workshop will review requirements of state, district, and school report cards under the Every Student Succeeds Act as well as current requirements in Delaware law and learn from national experts on best practices and studies on what information is most helpful and effective for presenting data to parents, educators, and the community. In addition, the workshop will involve engagement activities to gather feedback to assist the Department of Education in it's design of new school report cards.

Literacy Campaign

Ms. Johnson also provided an update on the Boards Literacy Campaign and announced that next month's State Board meeting will include a presentation about Delaware's Campaign for Grade Level Reading.

It was noted that there was an additional regulation posted for the Board's information that only required approval of the Secretary of Education. The following regulation is posted and out for comment as of August 1, 2017: Regulation 728 Graduate Level Salary Increments.

There was no formal public comment on any regulation.

Charter School Update

Denise Stouffer presented the Charter school updates. Ms. Stouffer focused on the charter renewal process, listing the five charter schools that are eligible to renew in this cycle and the proposed timeline for the renewal review and decision process. She provided a review of the process and systems which provide data and information to charters in advance of submitting their renewal application and provide information to the authorizer when reviewing the performance of the school and alignment to its charter. The Charter School office has updated the Report Template for Annual Performance Review reports. The data is embedded in reports by DOE, schools are provided a timeline to respond to the information/data presented and that data is carried over from one report to the next to develop trend data. This provides for the data which is validated and quality controlled through multiple systems, and allows the office to provide more targeted technical assistance. These changes still allow for multiple measures of school performance to be included but to also align data between reports for a more accurate picture of performance.

She shared that the Charter School Office had partnered with the Delaware Charter Schools Network to assist in the Network Professional Development Day. The trainings provided included Leadership and Board Training, overview and descriptions of the new report templates, and technical assistance resources for data collection and action based upon data analysis.

Professional Standards Board Update and Regulatory Actions

Chris Kenton, Executive Director of the Professional Standards Board, presented multiple regulations to the State Board for publication and discussion.

Regulation 1511 Issuance and Renewal of a Continuing License - For Publication

The Professional Standards Board ("Board"), acting in consultation and cooperation with the Department of Education ("Department"), seeks the approval of the State Board of Education to amend 14 DE Admin. Code 1511 Issuance and Renewal of Continuing License. This regulation concerns the requirements for issuance and renewal of a continuing license for educators pursuant to 14 Del.C. Ch. 12. Proposed changes to the regulation were initially published on March 1, 2017. Thereafter, 14 Del.C. Ch. 12 was amended, effective June 20, 2017. The proposed changes in this regulation include the changes that were initially published on March 1, 2017 and additional changes to bring this regulation in compliance with the recent amendments to 14 Del.C. Ch. 12. In addition, the reference to salary increments in Section 7.0 was stricken because it was determined that the Department has the authority to promulgate regulations concerning salary increments under 14 Del.C. Ch. 13.

The motion to publish Regulation 1511 was made by Mr. Coverdale and seconded by Mrs. Bunting. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Regulation 1539 Middle Level/Secondary Health Education Teacher - For Discussion

Regulation 1540 Secondary English Language Arts Teacher - For Discussion

Regulation 1542 Secondary Mathematics Teacher - For Discussion

Regulation 1544 Secondary Social Studies Teacher - For Discussion

Regulation 1550 Agriscience Teacher - For Discussion

Regulation 1551 Business Education Teacher- For Discussion Regulation

1554 Family and Consumer Sciences Teacher For Discussion

Regulation 1555 Marketing Education Teacher - For Discussion

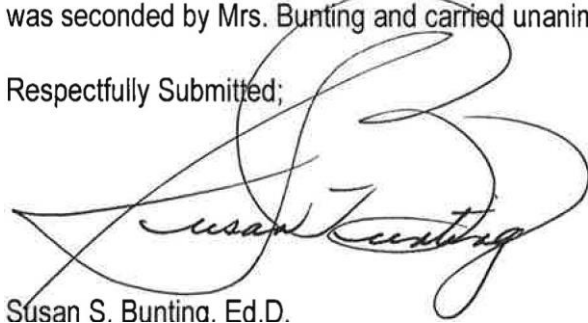
Regulation 1557 Technology Education Teacher - For Discussion

Formal Public Comment, Appeals and Reviews, Information Items, Adjournment

Neither were there formal public comment, nor were there any appeals up for review.

Since there was no further business, a motion was
was seconded by Mrs. Bunting and carried unanin

Respectfully Submitted;

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Susan S. Bunting, Ed.D.

Since there was no further business a motion was
made by Dr. Loftus to adjourn the meeting. The
motion unanimously by voice vote. The meeting
adjourned at 6:18 p.m.

Susan S. Bunting, Ed.D.
Executive Secretary and
Secretary of Education

